

Mr Wm Lloyd Garrison
Boston

Lyonsville, N.Y.
September 24, 1863

Samuel J. May.

Education of the Poor Black and White Population

IN OUR SOUTHERN STATES.

Eagerly have benevolent people of the Northern States come forward, to commence the great work of educating the laboring population of those States of this Union which have hitherto been blighted and beighted by Slavery. Almost simultaneously, in February, 1862, associations were formed in Boston, New York, New Haven and Philadelphia, for the relief and improvement of the people, who had been set free by our loyal armies in the South and South-West. Some of the very beneficent results of their operations have been published in the newspapers, and must be known to you.

In October, 1862, an Auxilliary Freedman's Relief Association was formed in this City, of which we, the undersigned, have the honor to be the Executive Committee.

On Friday evening next, Sept. 11, it is proposed to hold a meeting of our Association in the Lecture Room of the First Presbyterian Church, at 7½ o'clock, that we may hear reports of the doings of some of the missionary teachers, who have been laboring since last November at Fernandina, in Florida; and inform the public of their plans of enlarged usefulness hereafter. One, at least, of those teachers will be present, and will give to the audience much interesting information.

Your presence at that time and place is especially and earnestly requested; and we beg you to invite such of your family, neighbors or friends, as you think would be interested in the important subject of the meeting.

Respectfully Yours,

M. E. STRIEBY, President,
HIRAM PUTNAM,
EDWIN P. HOPKINS, Secretary,
RUSSEL HEBBARD,
S. E. MALTBY,
MILES BENHAM,
SAMUEL J. MAY,
IRA H. COBB, Treasurer.

Syracuse, Sept. 9, 1863.

before that time?

I write this on one of
a number of spare invi-
tations to a meeting that
we had here on the 11th

I am devoting a great
deal of time and labor
to the great enterprise of
educating the poor victims
of Slavery —

I wish I could see
in the Liberator & Stand-
ard more in its behalf.

Love to your wife, your
children and Aunt Charlotte

Affectionately yours

Saml J. May

To
Mr Wm Lloyd Garrison

Syracuse

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Sep. 24, 1863
My dear Friend. —

I wrote to you a fortnight ago — urging you and your wife and Fanny to make us the almost promised visit. A day or two after I rec'd a note from Mr Smith saying that he and his wife were also hoping to see you at Pittsboro.

When I wrote, we expected Charlotte would come home with her children & make us a visit of two or three weeks from the 1st of October — We now hear from her that she means to prolong her stay in New England until the 15th of Oct. — May we not have the long expected pleasure of a visit from you